



May 22, 2013

<Resident Name>
<Address>
<City> <State>, NJ

Dear Neighbor,

Starting in late June or July, a cleanup project will begin in an area of the Lower Passaic River adjacent to the Riverside County Park North and Thomas F. Gallagher Memorial Recreation Area in Lyndhurst. This work will be conducted by the Lower Passaic River Study Area Cooperating Parties Group (CPG) under the oversight of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). You are receiving this letter because you live, work or own property near this area. We wanted to provide you with more information about the project and give you the opportunity to ask questions about it.

This project will include the removal of approximately 20,000 cubic yards of contaminated sediment from the river bottom, followed by capping of the area where dredging occurs. This work is expected to take place 12 hours a day for six days a week (Monday – Saturday). No overnight work is planned. All work is expected to be completed by this fall. This project is being undertaken to prevent exposure to or migration of contaminated sediment in the river bottom. The project will not address any flooding issues and has been designed to have no impact on flooding. All work will be conducted from the water and there will be minimal impact on the adjacent area. No work will be conducted in the parks and testing by EPA indicates that contamination is not present in the parks at levels of concern. Please see the enclosed fact sheet to learn more about the project.

The EPA and CPG will be holding an “Availability Session” for the project on Wednesday, June 5, 2013 at the Lyndhurst Senior Center, 250 Cleveland Avenue, Lyndhurst, New Jersey from 7-9 p.m. The session will feature a presentation and Q&A session, as well as an opportunity for you to talk one-on-one with representatives of the EPA, the CPG and other government agencies.

If you have any questions or would like any additional information on the project, please contact Wanda Ayala, Community Involvement Coordinator at 212-637-3676 or visit one of the following websites: www.ourpassaic.org or www.rm109.com.

Sincerely,

Lower Passaic River Study Area Cooperating Parties Group (CPG)